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LEADERSHIP!

In every field of human endeavor, he that is first must perpetually live in the white light of publicity. Whether the leadership be vested in a man or in a manufactured product, emulation and envy are ever at work. In art, in literature, in music, in industry, the reward and the punishment are always the same. The reward is widespread recognition; the punishment, fierce denial and detraction.

When a man's work becomes a standard, it also becomes a target for the shafts of the envious few. If his work be merely mediocre, he will be left severely alone--if he achieves a masterpiece, it will set a million tongues a-wagging. Jealousy does not protrude its forked tongue at the artist who produces a commonplace painting. Whatsoever you write, or paint, or build, no one will strive to surpass or to slander you, unless your work be stamped with the seal of success.

The leader is assailed because he is a leader, and the effort to equal him is merely added proof of that leadership. Failing to equal, or to excel, the follower seeks to depreciate and to destroy--but only confirms once more the superiority of that which he strives to supplant.

That which is good or great makes itself known, no matter how loud the clamor of denial. If the leader truly leads, he remains--the leader!

COLLECTORS, DEALERS WANTED

We are badly in need of the following coins in Uncirculated condition to make up sets or fill back orders. We are not looking for bargains but coins must be choice.

Let us know what you have, the quantity and priced asked. Or send them on approval.

Immediate reply and payment.

SMALL CENTS

1931 D & S 1932 D
1931 P 1934 D (By the roll)

NICKELS

1877 @ \$160.00 1885 @ \$65.00
1912 S @ \$62.50 1912 D @ \$45.00
1939 D & S, 1942 D (in rolls)

DIMES

1916 D - All conditions
1935 D 1936 D & S
1949 P & S 1950 P & S

QUARTERS

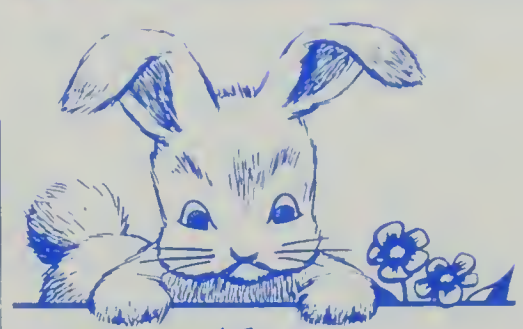
1932 D @ \$45.00 1934 D Mint
1935 S & D 1936 D @ \$30.00
1938 @ \$6.75 1939 S
1940 D 1948-51-52 S Mints

COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS

1915 Pan-Pacific 1924 Huguenot
1928 Hawaii 1935 Hudson
1935 Spanish Trail Cincinnati Sets
1936 Norfolk Rhode Island Sets
1938 Boone P D S Set @ \$260.00

MORGAN DOLLARS

1884 S 1887 1888 O
1899 CC 1892 S 1893 O & S
1895 Br. Proof @ \$450.00
1895 O & S 1896 O & S 1903 O
Brill. Proofs at Catalogue plus 20%



Easter SPECIALS Large Cents

1793 Wreath, S-6. Fine-V. Fine
A real nice Cent \$135.00
1793 Wreath, lettered edge, C-11J.
Lettering and date clear, evenly
worn. Very Good..... 75.00
1795 Pl. edge, S-78. Abt. Unc.
Dark reddish brown, a choice
Cent 60.00
1799 Perfect date. Fine-V. Fine.
Bold date, both knobs plain, Liberty
weak. Dark steel color as usual.
Rare 250.00
1802 S-233. Rarity 5. V. Fine to
Ext. Fine, choice medium
brown..... 50.00
1803 S-255. Unc. medium brown.
Well struck and centered. Rare
condition 50.00
1804 Normal dies. V. Fine, only
slight even wear, no defects.
Rare 235.00
1804 Broken obv. die. V. Good
plus. The rarest variety..... 87.50
1804 Broken obv. and rev. die.
Very Good 75.00
1809 Abt. Ext. Fine, dark steel
color 75.00
1809 Fine obv.; rev. V. Fine.. 45.00
1821 Wide date. Choice Ext. Fine.
Light reddish brown..... 50.00

MONEY THAT MADE CHINA LAUGH

Throughout world history there are many unsung heroes whose deeds of daring and valor have not received the recognition and plaudits of liberty-loving citizens. None is more worthy than Chang Chi Wei whose finely engraved Chinese banknotes heaped ridicule at the "Greater East Asia Co-prosperity Sphere" and produced a resounding slap in the face to the whole Japanese army.

Chang, a master engraver as was his father and grandfather before him, lived a somewhat humdrum life until 1940 when the Japanese smashed their way into Shanghai, burning, torturing, raping, and looting. Fortunate to escape death, he was taken by the invaders and put to work at engraving in the city's mint. Beneath the sharp scrutiny of his Japanese conquerors, he formulated a plan with great cleverness. The path to glory which lay before him was destined to begin with his skill and end with his death. From this there was no escape.

With his engraving tools he fashioned his epitaph in Latin letters and Arabic numerals strange to his hand - USAC 1945. Since 1912 the Chinese currency was patterned after United States currency. So, with courageous directness, he engraved the initials USAC which meant "United States Army Coming!" and scattered these hidden symbols in the intricate lathe work of paper money for the new issue of 200 Yuan notes for the puppet Japanese Central Reserve Bank. Two of the letters were concealed on the front of the bill and the other two on the back.

Vast quantities were printed and signed by collaborating Chinese politicians and circulated throughout China, escaping the eyes of the Japanese.

It didn't take long for the simple Chinese to find and figure out the USAC meaning. From Peking to Canton, a gigantic laugh spread across the land like a tidal wave making Chang China's number one hero. It was too much to expect a good joke to be kept secret, and in a short while the Japanese found out, and this discovery sealed the doom of Chang.

The Japs destroyed the new stock and plates, and all the bills they could lay their hands on, and today these historic banknotes are scarce and hard to find in any condition.

- - Clarence Fink

SHIELD NICKELS

1866 Rays, choice Unc.....	\$17.50
1866 Rays, V. Fine.....	6.00
1866 V.Gd.2.50; Fine.....	4.75
1867 Rays, Gd. 3.25; Fine.....	12.50
1867 No Rays, Br. Unc.....	7.50
1867 Extremely Fine.....	4.25
1867 Fine 2.00; V. Fine.....	3.00
1868 Ext. Fine-Abt. Unc.....	5.00
1868 Fine 2.50; V. Fine.....	3.50
1869 V. Gd. 1.50; V. Fine.....	4.00
1870 V. Gd. 2.50; Fine.....	4.50
1871 Rare, Fine.....	25.00
1871 Abt. Fine.....	17.50
1872 Fine 4.25; V. Fine.....	6.00
1873 Fine 4.25; V. Fine.....	6.00
1874 Brill. Uncirculated.....	17.50
1874 V. Gd. 3.50; V. Fine.....	9.00
1875 V. Gd. 7.50; V. Fine.....	17.50
1876 V. Gd. 3.75; Fine.....	6.25
1877 (Wanted @ \$167.50) Proofs only	
1878 (Wanted @ \$50.00) Proofs only	
1879 Br. Proof.....	25.00
1880 Br. Proof.....	32.50
1881 Br. Proof.....	22.50
1882 Br. Proof SPECIAL....	8.75
1882 Brill. Uncirculated.....	6.00
1882 V. Fine.....	2.50
1883 Br. Proof SPECIAL....	7.50
1883 V. Fine 2.00; Unc.....	5.00

LIBERTY HEAD NICKELS

1883 No Cents, choice Br. Proof,	
Scarce in Proof.....	6.75
1883 No Cents, V.F. 50¢, Br. Unc	1.50
1883 CENTS, Brill. Unc.....	9.00
1883 Cents, V.Gd.3.25; Fine...	5.00
1884 Brill. Uncirculated.....	15.00
1884 Good 2.00; Fine.....	6.00
1885 (Wanted: Proofs @ \$50.00;	
V.Gd. @ 15.00; Fine @ 25.00)	
1886 Brill. Proof.....	35.00
1886 Good-V. Gd.....	12.50
1887 Brill. Proof.....	12.50
1887 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1887 V.Gd. 1.50; Fine.....	3.50
1888 Very Good.....	2.50
1889 Br. Unc. 8.50; Br. Proof...	12.50
1889 V.Gd. 1.25; Fine.....	2.50
1890 Good-V. Good.....	1.50
1891 Brill. Proof.....	12.50
1891 Good 75¢; V. Good.....	1.25
1892 Brill. Proof.....	12.50
1892 Good 85¢; V. Good.....	1.50
1893 Brill. Proof.....	12.50
1893 Good 75¢; V. Good.....	1.25
1894 Br. Unc. \$10.00; Br. Proof...	15.00
1894 Good 1.25; V. Good.....	2.50
1895 Brill. Uncirculated.....	7.50
1895 V. Good 1.00; Fine.....	2.50
1896 Brill. Proof.....	27.50
1896 V. Good 1.00; Fine.....	3.75
1897 Unc. 7.50; Br. Proof.....	15.00

LIBERTY HEAD NICKELS

1897 V. Good 50¢; Fine.....	2.00
1898 Brill. Proof.....	15.00
1898 V. Good-Fine.....	.75
1899 Brill. Proof.....	15.00
1899 Brill. Uncirculated.....	9.00
1899 Abt. Fine 75¢; Fine.....	1.50
1900 Brill. Proof.....	15.00
1900 Fine 1.25; Br. Unc.....	8.50
1901 Brill. Proof.....	15.00
1901 Fine 1.25; Br. Unc.....	7.50
1902 Brill. Uncirculated.....	6.75
1902 Fine 1.00; Abt. Unc.....	4.50
1903 Brill. Uncirculated.....	6.75
1903 Fine 1.00; V. Fine.....	1.50
1904 Brill. Uncirculated.....	6.00
1904 Fine 1.00; Abt. Unc.....	3.75
1905 Brill. Uncirculated.....	6.00
1905 Fine 1.00; V. Fine.....	1.50
1906 Fine 1.00; Abt. Unc.....	5.00
1907 Fine 1.00; Ext. Fine.....	3.75
1908 Fine 1.00; Ext. Fine.....	3.50
1909 Fine 1.00; Ext. Fine.....	3.50
1910 Extremely Fine.....	3.50
1910 Fine 1.00; V. Fine.....	1.50
1911 Brill. Unc. SPECIAL....	4.75
1911 Pract. Unc., bright.....	3.25
1911 Fine 1.00; V. Fine.....	1.50
1912 Brill. Unc. SPECIAL....	5.25
1912 Pract. Unc., bright.....	3.50
1912 Fine 1.00; V. Fine.....	1.50
1912 D Mint, Prac. Unc., really	
a choice coin.....	37.50
1912 S Mint (Wanted: Unc. @ \$57.50;	
Fine @ \$8.00)	

BUFFALO NICKELS

Type #1

1913 Choice Brill. Unc.....	1.50
1913 V. Fine 50¢; Abt. Unc...	1.00
1913 D Mint, Ext. Fine-Abt. Unc.	4.00
1913 D, V. Fine and sharp.....	2.75
1913 D, V.Gd.1.00; Fine.....	1.75
1913 S Mint, Br. Unc.....	15.00
1913 S, V.Gd. 2.75; Fine.....	5.00

Type #2

1913 Brill. Uncirculated.....	3.00
1913 Abt. Unc., mint lustre...	2.00
1913 Fine 75¢; V. Fine.....	1.00
1913 D, V.Gd. 7.50; Fine.....	12.50
1913 S, V.Gd. 15.00; Fine.....	22.50
1914 Brill. Uncirculated.....	6.00
1914 Abt. Fine 75¢; Fine plus...	1.25
1914 S Mint, Brill. Unc.....	27.50
1914 S, V.Gd. 1.50; Fine.....	5.00
1915 Brill. Unc. SPECIAL....	4.65
1915 Fine 75¢; V.F. -Ext. Fine.	1.35
1916 Brill. Unc. SPECIAL....	3.65
1916 Unc., shade from perfect.	2.45
1916 Fine 50¢; V. Fine plus....	.75
1916 S, Fine 3.00; V. Fine.....	5.00
1916 D, V.Gd. 75¢; Fine.....	2.50
1917 Brill. Uncirculated.....	4.50

Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back

BUFFALO 5c NICKELS

1917 V. Fine 75¢; Abr. Unc.	2.50
1917 D, V. Gd. 1.00; Fine.	4.25
1918 Abr. Uncirculated.	6.50
1918 Fine 75¢; V. Fine.	1.25
1918 S, V. Gd. 1.00; Fine.	4.00
1918 D, V. Gd. 1.00; Fine.	4.00
1919 Brill. Uncirculated.	5.75
1919 Ext. Fine-Abr. Unc.	2.50
1919 Fine 50¢; V. Fine.	.75
1919 S Mint, Fine-V. Fine.	7.50
1919 S, V. Gd. 1.00; Fine.	5.00
1919 D, V. Gd. 1.00; Abr. Fine. .	3.50
1920 Brill. Uncirculated.	6.00
1920 Fine 50¢; V. Fine.	.75
1920 S Mint, Ext. Fine.	15.00
1920 S, V. Gd. 75¢; Fine.	3.00
1920 D, V. Gd. 75¢; Fine.	3.50
1921 Brill. Uncirculated.	12.50
1921 Fine-V. Fine.	1.00
1921 S, V. Gd. 3.00; Fine.	10.00

NOTE: We have most dates and conditions not listed. Have advertised only those of which we have a sizeable stock.

1923 Brill. Unc. SPECIAL ...	4.75
1923 Pract. Uncirculated.	2.75
1923 Fine 50¢; V. Fine.	.75
1923 S Mint, Brill. Unc.	60.00
1923 S Mint, V. Fine.	6.00
1923 S, V. Gd. 50¢; Fine.	3.00
1924 Brill. Uncirculated.	6.00
1924 Ext. Fine-Abr. Unc.	2.75
1924 Fine 50¢; V. Fine.	.75
1924 D, V. Gd. 75¢; Abr. Fine. .	1.50
1925 Brill. Uncirculated.	5.75
1925 Fine 50¢; V. Fine.	.75
1925 S, V. Gd. 1.00; Fine.	3.75
1925 D, Unc., weak reverse ..	15.00
1925 D, V. Gd. 1.25; Fine.	5.00
1926 Brill. Unc., SPECIAL ..	3.75
1926-27-28 V. Fine, each.	.35
1926 S, V. Gd. 1.25; Fine.	10.00
1927 Brill. Uncirculated.	3.50
1927 S Mint, V. Fine.	9.00
1927 S, Fine, SPECIAL.	4.25
1927 S, V. Gd. 1.00; Abr. Fine. .	2.00
1927 D, V. Gd. 50¢; Fine.	1.25
1928 Brill. Uncirculated.	3.50
1928 S, V. Gd. 35¢; Fine plus. .	.75
1928 D, Br. Unc. SPECIAL. .	2.85
1929 Brill. Uncirculated.	1.85
1929 D Mint, Br. Unc.	3.50
1929 P S or D, V. Fine, each. .	.35
1930 Brill. Uncirculated.	2.85
1930 V. F. 25¢; 1930-S, V. F. .	.75
1931 S Mint (Remember the Cents?)	
Only the 1926-S of all the Buffalo Nickels was a shorter issue).	
Brill. Uncirculated.	7.50
1931 S, Fine 1.25; V. Fine.	2.00
1934 Br. Unc. SPECIAL.	2.35

BUFFALO NICKELS

1934 D, Br. Unc. SPECIAL. .	2.95
1934 P or D, V. Fine or better. .	.25
1935 Brill. Uncirculated.	.60
1935 S Mint, Br. Unc.	1.75
1935 D Mint, Br. Unc.	1.25
1936 Brill. Uncirculated.	.60
1936 Br. Unc. 10 pieces.	4.75
1936 S Mint, Br. Unc.	.75
1936 D Mint, Br. Unc.	.75
1937 Brill. Uncirculated.	.50
1937 Br. Unc. 10 pieces.	3.75
1937 S Mint, Br. Unc.	.75
1937 D Mint, Br. Unc.	.50
1938 D Mint, Br. Unc.	.35
1938 D, Br. Unc. 10 pieces.	2.25

JEFFERSON NICKELS

DATE	BR. UNC.	BR. PROOF
1938.	.50	6.50
10 Pieces.	4.25	-
1938-S Mint.	1.00	-
10 Pieces.	8.25	-
1938 D Mint.	.90	-
10 Pieces.	7.25	-
1939.	1.00	6.50
1939 S Mint.	5.25	-
5 Pieces.	23.50	-
1939 D Mint.	7.50	-
5 Pieces.	33.25	-
1940.	.50	-
10 Pieces.	3.75	-
1940 S Mint.	.75	-
10 Pieces.	6.75	-
1940 D Mint.	.75	-
10 Pieces.	6.25	-
1941.	.40	4.25
10 Pieces.	3.25	-
1941 S Mint.	.60	-
10 Pieces.	4.25	-
1941 D Mint.	.50	-
10 Pieces.	3.75	-
1942 #1.	.40	4.25
10 Pieces.	2.50	-
1942 D Mint.	2.50	-
10 Pieces.	21.25	-
1942 #2.	.35	4.50
10 Pieces.	1.75	-
1942 S Mint.	.35	-
10 Pieces.	2.00	-
1943 P D or S.	.35	-
10 Pieces.	1.50	-

Jefferson 5c

1938 through 1956, every date and mint in choice Uncirculated condition. (Beware! Many of these sets offered at cheap prices have inferior specimens of the 1939 S and D). The set catalogues \$33.55.

Priced at 20% savings --- \$26.75
In Popular Album - - - - 28.25

JEFFERSON NICKELS

1944 P D or S.	.35	-
10 Pieces.	1.50	-
1945 P D or S.	.35	-
10 Pieces.	1.50	-
1946 P D or S.	.35	-
10 Pieces.	1.50	-
1947 P D or S.	.35	-
10 Pieces.	1.50	-
1948 P D or S.	.35	-
10 Pieces.	1.50	-
1949 P or D.	.35	-
10 Pieces.	1.50	-
1949 S Mint.	.50	-
10 Pieces.	4.25	-
1950 P Mint.	.50	6.00
10 Pieces.	3.90	-
1950 D Mint.	.75	-
10 Pieces.	6.00	-
1951 P or D.	.35	4.50
10 Pieces.	2.75	-
1951 S Mint.	.90	-
10 Pieces.	7.25	-
1952 P D or S.	.30	3.50
10 Pieces.	1.35	-
1953 P D or S.	.30	2.50
10 Pieces.	1.35	-
1954 P D or S.	.30	1.50
10 Pieces.	1.25	-
1955 P Mint.	.40	1.50
10 Pieces.	3.50	-
1955 D Mint.	.30	-
10 Pieces.	1.00	-
1956 P or D.	.30	1.00
10 Pieces.	1.00	-
1957 P Mint.	.30	1.00
10 Pieces.	1.00	-

FIRST REVOLT

Ardent numismatists find the Jewish coins of the First Revolt particularly interesting. It is claimed that there were but two. Both were little bronze coins. Each has on its obverse a diota, and on its reverse a vine leaf.

They are much alike but the diota of one has a cover and other has not. They were made 66-70 A.D. -- four years of suffering under Roman rule -- the last two of Nero, the years of Galba Otho, and Vitellius, and the first year of the ten-year reign of Vespasian. These make up that hideous First Revolt period.

The Jews were always exceedingly cautious to put nothing on their coins that could offend. We marvel that anything so dainty, delicate and artistic, as the little diota and the vine leaf, could come out of that terrible turmoil. It seems like the lotus blossom told of by the poet who says it came out of a "stagnant marsh that lay beneath a reeking scum of green."

- Florence Aiken Banks

ROMAN EMPERORS OF NEW TESTAMENT YEARS

Frequently even advanced Bible students are amazed upon discovering that they may actually hold in their hands authentic portraits of every Roman emperor of New Testament years -- yes, all the way from the beginning of Matthew to the end of Revelation, all the way from 6 B. C., which is the date given with Luke - one year earlier than Matthew's first chapter date - to 96 A.D., twelve rulers who had dominion over the Jews and four of the twelve are mentioned in the New Testament.

When we speak those familiar words, "The Twelve Caesars," we are including that great statesman, Julius Caesar, who was the first of that name and one of the First Triumvirate of Rome, but was never emperor. He was slain by Brutus, March 15, 44B.C.

Then was formed the Second Triumvirate, one of which was Octavius. In 27 B.C. he assumed the imperial purple, becoming Augustus Caesar. With his reign comes the termination of that 400-year night of forgotten hope, the break of a new day.

The list of the twelve Roman emperors of New Testament years begins with him, and has eleven Caesars, then one more emperor, Nerva, in the last year of the New Testament.

Following is the list of the twelve Caesars and the dates of their reign.

1. Augustus 27 B.C. - 14 A.D.
2. Tiberius 14-37
3. Caligula 37-41
4. Claudius 41-54
5. Nero 54-68
6. Galba 68-69
7. Otho 69
8. Vitellius 69
9. Vespasian 69-79
10. Titus 79-81
11. Domitian 81-96
12. Nerva 96

Naturally we incline to reach for first bronzes (Sestertii) when we seek these emperors' portraits. But no regal portrait ever appeared on Sestertii of Augustus or Tiberius. And Otho never issued one. Do not be too determined upon having large coins. Sometimes a smaller coin may be in such fine condition that its portrait is more desirable than that on any larger one you may find. Give careful attention to the condition of your coin. Sometimes quite a large As may be found, having a regal portrait.

COMPLETE SETS

Roosevelt Dimes

1946 through 1956, all dates and mints issued. Brilliant Uncirculated. Catalogues \$26.35.

This 32 piece set only\$14.75
Mounted in Album 15.50



Franklin Half Dollars

1948 through 1956, all dates and mints Brilliant Uncirculated. This set is over-priced in the catalogue at \$53.75. However, it is a set with a future. The 1949 alone is selling over \$6.00 (I will pay \$100.00 a roll) and there are several other sleepers. Buy now and brag later.

In Album, 21 pc. set.....\$ 27.95
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Coins of Bible Days

WIDOW'S MITE

"And Jesus sat over against the treasury and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury and many that were rich cast in much.

"And there came a certain poor widow, and she threw in two mites, which makes a farthing. And He called unto Him His Disciples, and saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, that this poor widow hath cast more in than all they which has cast into the treasury..."

(Mark 12:41-44)

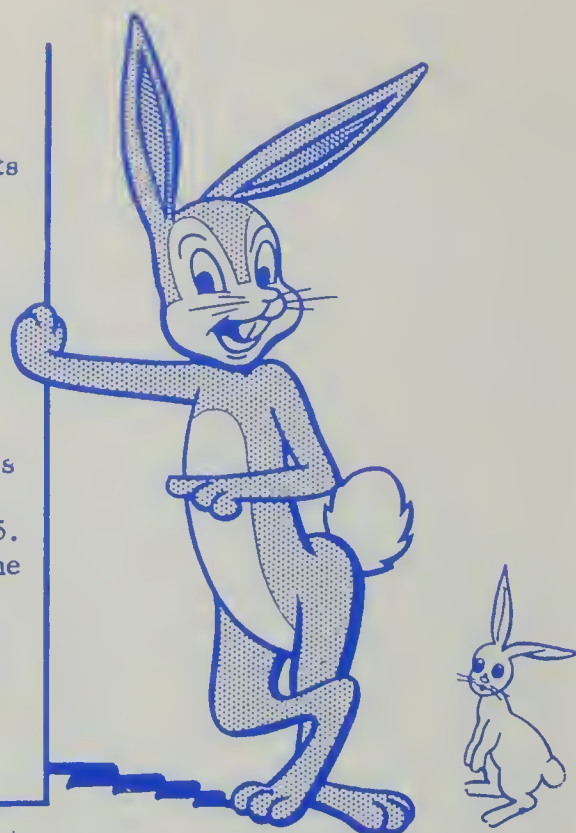
V. Gd. to Fine.....\$ 3.75
Fine 5.00

ROMAN EMPERORS OF NEW TESTAMENT YEARS (Continued)

Fine portraits of the twelve Roman emperors of New Testament years make a collection that is a joy forever, a precious legacy to be handed down from generation to generation. Some of those coins will be described in following stories.

If you aspire to a collection of portraits of these twelve emperors, remember that the number of coin collectors is increasing all the time, and the number of ancient coins cannot increase; so do not wait to begin until you can find a coin with a portrait of Augustus. Begin with the one you can get.

- Florence Aiken Banks



TRIBUTE PENNY

14-37 A. D. Silver Denarius
Laureated head of Tiberius.

Reverse: Livia seated.

Bible reference: Matthew 22:15-22

Ext. Fine\$20.00
Very Fine 15.00

SHEKEL OF TYRE

Tyre Silver Shekel (Tetradrachm)
106-105 B. C. Head of god Melkarth.
Rev: Eagle on rudder with inscription
"Tyre the holy and inviolable."
These are the coins referred to in the Bible as "thirty pieces of silver," for which Judas betrayed Christ. Matthew 27:5

Ext. Fine.....\$42.50
Very Fine..... 35.00
Fine 27.50

SIGLOS (Silver) B.C. 521-486

ANCIENT PERSIA, B.C. 521-486.
King Darius as archer kneeling with bow, quiver and spear. Rev: Irregular oblong incuse punch. Very similar to the gold Daric of the same period.

This is a fine example of the very early ancient coinage at a reasonable price. Also mentioned and illustrated on page 13 in "Coins of Bible Days."

Very Fine\$15.00
Fine 10.00